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> STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

**Administrative Action** 

CHIDI I. AWUKWUEM, M.D. License No.: MA 58920

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY: IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") upon receipt of information provided by the Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services ("DMAHS") which alleged that Chidi I. Anukwuem, M.D., ("Respondent") excessively prescribed Serostim to patients between April 2000 until the DMAHS audit in August 2001. On December 18, 2002, respondent appeared with his attorney Vicki Arians, Esq., before a Preliminary Evaluation Committee of the State Beard of Medical Examiners and presented testimony on his prescribing practices and his care and treatment of the patients who were receiving Serostim. Respondent being desirous of settling the matter, and the Board having found the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare,

IT IS ON THIS | 9th DAY OF Sept, , 2003

ORDERED,

1. The license to practice medicine and surgery issued to respondent Chidi I. Anukwuem, M.D. is hereby suspended for a total period of six (6) months which shall be stayed in its entirety upon the condition

that he serve a two year period of probation commencing on the filing date of this Order.

2. During the two (2) year period of probation following entry of this Order, respondent shall take

and successfully complete, at his OWN cost, course work in the following areas: pharmacology course,

infectious disease, medical record keeping, and ethics (such as but not limited to the PROBE course or a

comparable course in professional ethics). All courses shall be approved in advance in writing by the Board

prior to respondent's enrollment. Successful completion means that all sessions must be attended, all

assignments must be properly and appropriately completed, and a passing grade must be achieved without

conditions or reservations.

3. Upon successful completion of the course work and the two year period of probation respondent

may petition she Board in writing for the reinstatement of his unrestricted New Jersey licensure.

STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

David M. Wallace, M.D.,

**Board President** 

I have read and understood the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

Chidi I. Anukwuem, M.D.

Consented as to form:

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Vicki Arians, Esq.